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PATENT APPLICATION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:)
YOSHIKI SASAI, ET AL.)
Application No.: 09/855,587)
Filed: May 16, 2001)
For: NOVEL DIFFERENTIATION)
INDUCING PROCESS OF)
PROCESS OF EMBRYONIC STEM)
CELL TO ECTODERMAL CELL)
AND ITS USE : April 21, 2005
Examiner: Joseph T. Woitach
Group Art Unit: 1632

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REQUEST FOR WITHDRAWAL OF FINALITY
AND ISSUANCE OF NONFINAL OFFICE ACTION

Sir:

The April 6, 2005 office action was made final. That office action presents two rejections: the first of which is a rejection of claims 12-15, 18-20, 23, 24, 26, 27, 72 and 73

under 35 USC 112, first paragraph, as containing subject matter which was not described in the specification in such a way as to reasonably convey to one skilled in the relevant art that the inventor(s), at the time the application was filed, had possession of the claimed invention. 37 CFR 1.118(a) states